THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (c). Whereas a low power TV transmitter is functioning at Khagaria, there is no proposal, at present, to set up Programme Production Facility there.

(d) Establishment of Programme Production Facility at Khagaria would depend upon future availability of resources for the purpose.

Paradub of Films into other Languages

651. SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to paradub films of Indian languages into other languages for promotion of national integration; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Expansion of Communication Facilities in Bihar

652. SHRI RAM SHARAN YADAV: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for the expansion of communications facilities in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the places where Subscribers Trunk Dialling facility has since been provided;

(d) whether there is any proposal to provide this facility in some more areas of various States during the current year; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. It is proposed to commission about 48000 lins of gross switching capacity and provide about 22000 telephone connections in Bihar during 1991-92.

(c) The list is given in Statement attached.

(d) and (e). The names of stations in Bihar where STD facility is proposed to be provided in this year are as follows:-

1. Bagha
2. Bermo
3. Kahalgaon
4. Lakhisarai
5. Pakur
6. Ramgarh (Hazaribagh) and
7. Supaul.

During the year 1991-92 we propose to provide STD facility at 385 stations in various states of the country.

STATMENT

S.T.D. Stations in Bihar Telecommunications Circle as on 18.11.1991.

S.No.	*Exchange*
1.	Araria
2.	Arrah
3.	Aurangabad
4.	Banka

S.No.	Exchange
5.	Bangaon
6.	Banmankhi
7.	Begusarai
8.	Barauni
9.	Banipatti
10.	Bettiah
11.	Bhagalpur
12.	Biharsharif
13.	Bihat (Begusarai)
14.	Bokaro
15.	Bhagwanpur
16.	Bariarpur
17.	Barh
18.	Boadhgaya
19.	Chaibasa
20.	Chapra
21.	Chas
22.	Chirkunda
23.	Chanpatia
24.	Chakand
25.	Dalmianagar
26.	Daltonganj
27.	Darbhanga
28.	Deoghar
29.	Dhanbad
30.	Dumka
31.	Dhaka
32.	Dhoii
33.	Fatwa
34.	Forbesganj
35.	Gharkha
36.	Gaya
37.	Giridih
38.	Godda
39.	Gopalganj
40.	Ghoghardiha
41.	Gomia
42.	Gumia
43.	Gurubazar
44.	Hajipur
45.	Hatpuraini
46.	Hazaribagh
47.	Hathidah
48.	Jamhore
49.	Jamshedpur
50.	Janakpur Road
51.	Jasidih
52.	Jehanabad
53.	Jhanjharpur
54.	Jhumritilalya

S.No.	*Exchange*
55.	Jogbani
56.	Kamtaul
57.	Kanke
58.	Katihar
59.	Khagaria
60.	Kishanganj
61.	Kodarma
62.	Kanti
63.	Kasba
64.	Lohardaga
65.	Madhepura
66.	Madhubani
67.	Mahua
68.	Marjauara
69.	Motihari
70.	Munger
71.	Muzaffarpur
72.	Mansi
73.	Murliganj
74.	Nawadah
75.	Nalanda
76.	Nirmali
77.	Parsudih
78.	Patna
79.	Panchagachhia
80.	Purnea
81.	Mohrajganj
82.	Pusa
83.	Pirpainti
84.	Rajgir
85.	Ramgarh (Sahbad)
86.	Ranchi
87.	Rajdhanwar
88.	Rosera
89.	Rajnagar
90.	Raxaul
91.	Runisaidpur
92.	Saharasha
93.	Sahebganj
94.	Sakari (Madhubani)
95.	Samastipur
96.	Sasa Ram
97.	Saurbazar
98.	Sindri
99.	Singeswarsthan
100.	Sita Marhi
101.	Siwan
102.	Sonpur (Hajipur)

S.No.	Exchange
103.	Sarai
104.	Sonbarsaraj
105.	Simribakhtiarpur
106.	Tantisilwai
107.	Thakurganj
108.	Baraunit Oil Refinary.
109.	Jamtara
110.	Mokamah
111.	OBRA
112.	Maner
113.	Bihta

[English]

Telecommunications Programme in Andaman and Nicobar

653. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: **Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government are contemplating a comprehensive tele-communication programme for the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands as per the decision and recommendations of the Island Development Authority; and

(b) if so, the present progress and future programme with target dates in details?

THE DEPUTY MINISTR IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Present Progress:

(a) Local Telephone Exchange have been commissioned at following places:-

1. Goracharma 2. Wimberliganj 3. Nancowry 4. Brichganj 5. Mayabander 6. Campbel Bay 7. Diglipore 8. Lapathy

(b) Long Distance Public Telephone have been provided to the following areas:

Port Blair as base Station

1. Bambooflat 2. Chouldari 3. Kalikut 4. Namunaghar 5. Shippyghat 6. Tushnabad 7. Bathubasti

Noncowry as base Station

1. Champin 2. Katchal.

(c) Satellite Earth Station is operational to provide Long Distance Trunk Services at the following stations:

1. Port Blair 2. Car Nicobar 3. Mayabander 4. Diglipore 5. Campbel Bay.

Furture Programme with target dates:

(a) Following Exchanges have been planned for commissioning during the current financial year:

1. Lapathy 2. Hutbay 3. Rangat 4. Katchal 5. Ferrargunj

(b) Circuits will be commissioned from Kamorta Earth Station during the last quarter of 1991-92.